

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION

FREEDOM FROM RELIGION)	
FOUNDATION, INC., a Wisconsin non-profit)	
Corporation,)	
)	Cause No. CV12-19-M-DLC
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	
)	
CHIP WEBER, FLATHEAD NATIONAL)	
FOREST SUPERVISOR, and)	MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE
UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE, an)	RESPONSE TO AMICUS BRIEF
Agency of the United States Department)	
of Agriculture,)	
)	
Defendants,)	
)	
and)	
)	
WILLIAM GLIDDEN, RAYMOND LEOPOLD,)	
EUGENE THOMAS, NORMAN DeFORREST,)	
and the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS,)	
)	
Defendant-Intervenors.)	

The plaintiff, Freedom From Religion Foundation, moves the Court for leave to file a response to the amicus brief filed on August 28, 2012. The plaintiff also requests leave to consolidate its reply in support of plaintiffs' alternative motion for leave to file amended complaint with its response to the amicus brief. Plaintiff further agrees to abide by the word limit for reply briefs, i.e., 3,250 words. Finally, the plaintiff requests leave to file its consolidated brief on or before September 7, 2012.

Plaintiff requests leave to respond to the amicus brief because it raises issues and arguments not otherwise made or fully developed by the named parties to this action. The

intervening defendants, however, do raise related issues in their opposition to the plaintiffs' alternative motion for leave to file amended complaint, so a consolidated response is most efficient.

The plaintiff has advised the other parties to this litigation, as well as counsel for the amici, of its intent to bring this motion. Plaintiff has been advised in response that the parties have no objection to this motion, subject to abiding by the word limitation for reply briefs, i.e., 3250 words. The amici curiae, as non-parties, take no position on the plaintiff's motion.

Dated this 5th day of September 2012.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 5, 2012, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification electronically to all attorneys of record.

/s/Richard L. Bolton
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